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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

- 1. The reply filed on March 22, 2010 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Previously withdrawn claims 7 and 9-13 are improperly labeled. Each needs to be identified as withdrawn. Correction is required. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).
- 2. Applicant previously cancelled claims 1, 14-65, 79-130 and 144-195. Claims 2-13, 66-78 and 131-143 are pending.

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- 3. Claims 2-6 and 8 remain rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Rice et al., US 7,330,585, pursuant to the previous Office Action, as the March 22, 2010 Amendment has not been fully reviewed.
- 4. Further pertinent references of interest are noted on the attached PTO-892.

 Applicant is advised to review these references in juxtaposition to the pending claims.

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5. Applicant's Information Disclosure Statements (IDS's) received March 22, 2010; February 19, 2010 and December 22, 2009 have been reviewed. Note the attached IDS's

6. The Examiner welcomes Applicant's March 22, 2010 invitation to hold an Interview. Applicant is encouraged to call Examiner Rudy. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Andrew Joseph Rudy whose telephone number is 571-272-6789. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday thru Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Matthew S. Gart can be reached on 571-272-3955. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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